

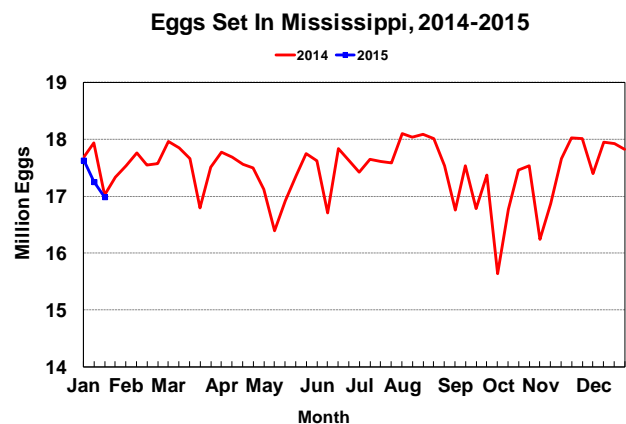
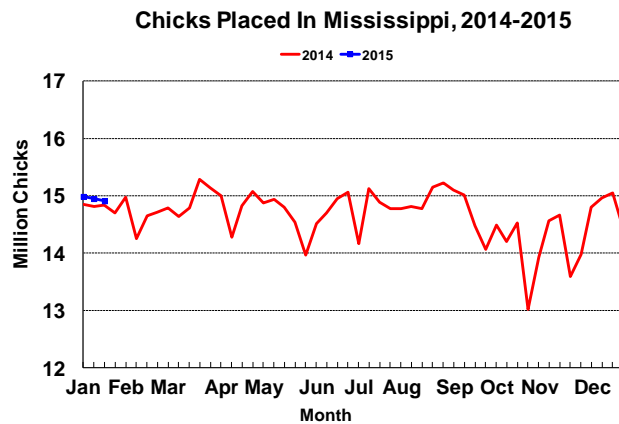


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### Mississippi Chick Placements Up Slightly from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Mississippi were 14.9 million during the week ending January 17, 2015. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2014 but down slightly from the previous week.

Mississippi hatcheries set 17.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 17, 2015, down slightly from the same period last year and down 2 percent from the previous week.



**Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, December 20, 2014 - January 17, 2015**

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	20-Dec	27-Dec	3-Jan	10-Jan	17-Jan	20-Dec	27-Dec	3-Jan	10-Jan	17-Jan
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	28,214	27,757	28,380	28,668	29,141	21,776	21,925	22,413	21,724	21,294
Arkansas	21,446	21,989	21,765	21,283	21,716	19,375	19,483	19,317	19,179	19,009
Delaware	4,778	4,736	4,728	4,777	4,760	5,102	4,775	5,770	5,438	4,918
Florida	1,225	1,224	1,223	1,225	1,223	1,427	1,328	1,342	1,340	1,355
Georgia	34,884	34,472	34,493	34,306	34,487	27,336	26,889	27,011	27,240	26,610
Kentucky	7,961	7,942	7,942	7,933	7,929	6,146	6,135	6,079	6,445	6,280
Louisiana	3,622	3,848	3,848	3,848	3,817	3,337	3,307	3,427	3,230	3,414
Maryland	7,907	7,924	7,874	7,763	7,739	6,061	6,496	5,931	5,746	5,965
Mississippi	17,921	17,828	17,632	17,253	16,988	15,052	14,415	14,985	14,947	14,908
Missouri	8,321	8,114	8,143	8,251	8,268	6,402	5,927	6,551	5,998	5,266
N. Carolina	21,100	20,687	20,946	20,844	21,022	17,082	16,540	16,682	16,900	16,154
Oklahoma	6,273	6,189	6,270	6,613	6,260	4,146	4,980	4,425	4,175	5,493
Pennsylvania	4,347	4,370	4,330	4,382	4,424	3,892	4,025	3,755	3,883	3,987
S. Carolina	5,928	5,574	5,058	5,303	5,247	4,737	5,124	4,582	5,230	5,029
Texas	14,887	15,036	14,967	14,862	14,664	12,278	11,329	11,759	12,290	12,131
Virginia	6,606	6,455	6,634	6,590	6,590	5,398	5,069	5,216	5,598	5,299
CA,TN & WV	11,755	11,801	11,734	11,800	11,722	11,589	10,358	10,763	10,655	11,974
19 State Total	207,175	205,946	205,967	205,701	205,997	171,136	168,105	170,008	170,018	169,086
% of Prev. Year	103	102	103	102	103	103	102	103	103	102
Other States	8,319	8,223	8,178	8,176	7,806	6,000	6,348	6,304	6,372	5,998
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>215,494</b>	<b>214,169</b>	<b>214,145</b>	<b>213,877</b>	<b>213,803</b>	<b>177,136</b>	<b>174,453</b>	<b>176,312</b>	<b>176,390</b>	<b>175,084</b>

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 3 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 214 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 17, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 206 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 17, 2015, up 3 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 17, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 17, 2015, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 10, 2015 through January 17, 2015 for the United States were 351 million. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.